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Tom DeLoach newest member of the EOC

Columbia – Tom DeLoach, of Columbia, has been appointed to serve on the SC Education Oversight Committee (EOC).

DeLoach, Chief Executive Officer of the South Carolina Business and Industry Political Education Committee (SCBIPEC), has been appointed to serve as the business representative from the Senate Education Committee. He fills the term vacated by Robert Staton, who resigned from the committee earlier this month. DeLoach is a graduate of Stetson University and Pace University School of Law with additional legal studies in International Law at Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, Netherlands.

Prior to coming to South Carolina, DeLoach worked in the U.S. House of Representatives and was a Presidential Appointee to the U.S. International Trade Commission. He also worked within Fortune 500 companies, holding marketing, sales, and corporate counsel positions.

Active in community affairs, DeLoach serves on the SC Conservation Bank Board, the Board of Trustees of the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, the Editorial Board of Local, State and Federal Tax Incentives for Conservation Easements, the Board of Leadership South Carolina / Clemson Institute for Economic and Community Development, and the University of South Carolina Board of Dance.

DeLoach has served on Governor Sanford's Task Force on Government Restructuring and Campaign Finance Reform, and has worked with various organizations including the American Diabetes Association, United Way, CityYear, Columbia Classical Ballet Board and the New York Bar Association.

"Education, industry and community decision-makers know that their futures depend on the quality of our education system in South Carolina," stated DeLoach. "I look forward to working with the members of the EOC in pursuing higher levels of student achievement in our state."

An avid outdoorsman, DeLoach enjoys exploring the mountains and coastal islands of the Carolinas.

The EOC is an independent, non-partisan group made up of 18 educators, business persons, and elected officials who are appointed by the legislature and governor to monitor and review the implementation of the 1998 South Carolina Education Accountability Act, the Education Improvement Act, and the K-12 system.

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